

## Interview Summary

Application No.  
**09/290,251**

Applicant(s)  
**Nagai et al.**

Examiner  
**Nicholas Rosen**

Group Art Unit  
**2165**



All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Nicholas Rosen (3) \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Melvin Kraus (4) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Interview May 11, 2001

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference  
c) ☐ Personal [copy is given to 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: 1-16

Identification of prior art discussed:

Linnartz

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Examiner Rosen called to tell Mr. Kraus that Examiner was persuaded that Tozaki did not specifically disclose determining that copying once was permitted, but the newly discovered and recently published Linnartz patent did, and asked whether Mr. Kraus would like to see the patent, and then perhaps drop or amend his claims. Examiner Rosen then faxed a copy of the Linnartz patent to Mr. Kraus, who telephoned later in the day to say that he agreed that Linnartz discloses determining that copying once was permitted, but still thought that the invention was nonobvious on other grounds. Agreement not being reached, Examiner Rosen said that he would send another Office action, with finality withdrawn.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached

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